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By Committee on Government Operations & Elections

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) No person may make contributions to a candidate for superior
6 court judge that in the aggregate exceed six hundred seventy-five
7 dollars or to a candidate for the state supreme court or court of
8 appeals that in the aggregate exceed one thousand three hundred fifty
9 dollars for each election in which the candidate is on the ballot or
10 appears as a write-in candidate. Contributions made with respect to a
11 primary may not be made after the date of the primary. However,
12 contributions to a candidate or a candidate's authorized committee may
13 be made with respect to a primary until thirty days after the primary,
14 subject to the following limitations: (a) The candidate lost the
15 primary; (b) the candidate's authorized committee has insufficient
16 funds to pay debts outstanding as of the date of the primary; and (c)
17 the contributions may only be raised and spent to satisfy the
18 outstanding debt. Contributions made with respect to a general
19 election may not be made after the final day of the applicable election
20 cycle.

21 (2) This section through RCW 42.17.790 apply to a special election
22 conducted to fill a vacancy in an office. However, the contributions
23 made to a candidate or received by a candidate for a primary or special
24 election conducted to fill such a vacancy will not be counted toward
25 any of the limitations that apply to the candidate or to contributions
26 made to the candidate for any other primary or election.

27 (3) No person may accept contributions that exceed the contribution
28 limitations provided in this section.

29 (4) The dollar limits in this section must be adjusted according to
30 RCW 42.17.690.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 42.17 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 The commission shall adopt rules to carry out the policies of this
4 act and is not subject to the time restrictions of RCW 42.17.370(1).

5 **Sec. 3.** RCW 42.17.700 and 1993 c 2 s 10 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Contributions to candidates for state office made and received
8 before December 3, 1992, are considered to be contributions under RCW
9 42.17.640 through 42.17.790. Monetary contributions that exceed the
10 contribution limitations and that have not been spent by the recipient
11 of the contribution by December 3, 1992, must be disposed of in
12 accordance with RCW 42.17.095.

13 (2) Contributions to other candidates subject to the contribution
14 limits of this chapter made and received before the effective date of
15 this act are considered to be contributions under RCW 42.17.640 through
16 42.17.790. Contributions that exceed the contribution limitations and
17 that have not been spent by the recipient of the contribution by the
18 effective date of this act must be disposed of in accordance with RCW
19 42.17.095 except for subsections (6) and (7) of that section.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
21 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
22 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
23 immediately."

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24 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "limits;" strike the
25 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 42.17.700; adding new
26 sections to chapter 42.17 RCW; and declaring an emergency."

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